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Dear Rosemary,

I have had some trouble getting an answer to your letter of November 28th, as the [redacted] referred to by Ruth's friend was mentioned as an applicant for a post in the State Department. The State Department knew nothing of this, and finally, after much searching around, we found that he actually had applied for this Agency. That, I assume, is why Ruth's friend said that the final decision rested with me. This, of course, is only technically correct, as I actually know about very few of these cases personally. In that of [redacted] there was no suitable vacancy with us. If he is, indeed, also an applicant to the State Department, I am afraid I cannot be very helpful, as I have no official connection there any more.

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It was nice to see Frances and Carl again--and she hasn't changed a bit and is as pretty as ever. I wish you would come to see us some day. We have a comfortable place to put you.

Give my love to Uncle Joe and Aunt Mamie. I am glad that they are both fairly well.

Affectionately,

*af Baden*

Miss Rosemary Byrne

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